



General Assembly

***Substitute Bill No. 6525***

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***AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSING AND TRAINING OF PRIVATE  
DETECTIVES AND GUARD SERVICES AND SECURITY PERSONNEL  
SERVICES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) As used in chapter 534 of  
2       the general statutes:

3       (1) "Armed security officer" means a security officer who carries or  
4       has immediate access to a firearm in the performance of such officer's  
5       duties as a security officer;

6       (2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Safety;

7       (3) "Licensee" means any person, firm, company, partnership or  
8       corporation providing investigative or security services;

9       (4) "Private detective" means any person engaged in the business of,  
10      or advertising as engaged in the business of, (A) investigating crimes  
11      or civil wrongs, (B) investigating the location, disposition or recovery  
12      of property, (C) investigating the cause of accidents, fire damage or  
13      injuries to persons or to property, except persons performing bona fide  
14      engineering services, (D) providing the personal protection of  
15      individuals, (E) conducting surveillance activity, (F) conducting  
16      background investigations, or (G) securing evidence to be used before  
17      a court, board, officer or investigation committee;

18 (5) "Private detective agency" means any person, firm, company,  
19 partnership or corporation that, for consideration, advertises as  
20 providing, or is engaged in the business of providing, private  
21 detectives;

22 (6) "Security officer" means the licensed and registered person hired  
23 to safeguard and protect persons and property, by (A) the detection or  
24 prevention of any unlawful intrusion or entry, larceny, vandalism,  
25 abuse, arson or trespass on property such security officer is hired to  
26 protect, or (B) the prevention, observation, or detection of any  
27 unauthorized activity on property the security officer was hired to  
28 protect. Such security officer may be (i) employed by a security service,  
29 or (ii) employed by a business and is a uniformed employee who  
30 performs security work on the premises of the employer's business  
31 when such premises are located in an area that is accessible and  
32 unrestricted to the public, or has access only by paid admission;

33 (7) "Security service" means any person, firm, association or  
34 corporation that, for consideration, provides to another person, firm,  
35 association or corporation one or more of the following: (A) The  
36 prevention or detection of intrusion, entry, larceny, vandalism, abuse,  
37 fire, or trespass on the property the security service was hired to  
38 protect; (B) the prevention, observation or detection of any  
39 unauthorized activity on property the security service was hired to  
40 protect; (C) the protection of patrons and persons authorized to be on  
41 the premises of a person, firm, association or corporation that the  
42 security service was hired to protect; (D) the transportation of  
43 prisoners; (E) the secure transportation of papers, money, negotiable  
44 instruments and other valuables; (F) the provision of patrol and  
45 armored car services; or (G) the provision of guard dogs.

46 Sec. 2. Section 29-153 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
47 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

48 No person shall engage in the business of, or solicit business as a  
49 private detective or [investigator or as a watchman, guard or patrol

50 service or represent himself to be, hold himself out as] make  
51 representations to be or advertise as a private detective [or  
52 investigator] or as furnishing detective or investigating services [or as  
53 a watchman, guard or patrol service] without first obtaining a license  
54 from the Commissioner of Public Safety.

55 Sec. 3. Section 29-154a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
56 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

57 (a) The commissioner may grant a private detective or  
58 [investigator's license or a watchman, guard or patrol service] private  
59 detective agency license to any suitable person, or to any corporation,  
60 association or partnership subject to the following qualifications:

61 [(1) Private detective or investigator:] The applicant for a private  
62 detective or [investigator's] private detective agency license shall be  
63 not less than twenty-five years of age and of good moral character and  
64 shall have had at least five years' experience as a full-time investigator,  
65 [either in the employment of a licensed private detective or  
66 investigator or with a United States government investigative service,  
67 a state or organized municipal fire or police department or the  
68 Division of Public Defender Services] as determined in regulations  
69 adopted by the commissioner pursuant to section 29-161, as amended  
70 by this act, or shall have had at least ten years' experience as a police  
71 officer with a state or organized municipal police department.  
72 Employment as a [watchman, guard or private patrolman] security  
73 officer shall not be considered as employment as an investigator. If the  
74 applicant is a corporation, association or partnership, the person filing  
75 the application in behalf of such corporation, association or  
76 partnership shall meet the qualifications set out herein for an  
77 individual applicant, and shall be an officer of such corporation or  
78 member of such association or partnership. If the commissioner grants  
79 a private detective or [investigator's] private detective agency license  
80 to an applicant based on such applicant's experience as an investigator  
81 with an organized municipal fire department, such license shall restrict  
82 such licensee to performing the same type of investigations as [he]

83 were performed for the municipal fire department.

84 [(2) Watchman, guard or patrol service: The applicant for a license  
85 as a watchman, guard or patrol service shall be not less than twenty-  
86 five years of age and of good moral character and shall have had at  
87 least five years' experience as a supervisor or administrator in  
88 industrial security or in the employment of a private guard, watchman  
89 or patrol service or with a federal security agency or a state or  
90 organized municipal police department. If the applicant is a  
91 corporation, association or partnership, the person making the  
92 application shall be an officer of the corporation or a member of the  
93 association or partnership, and meet the foregoing qualifications.]

94 [(3)] (b) The commissioner may, at [his] the commissioner's  
95 discretion, substitute up to one year of experience for [either] a private  
96 detective or [investigator or a watchman, guard or patrol service]  
97 private detective agency applicant upon proof of satisfactory  
98 participation in a course of instruction pertinent to the license applied  
99 for.

100 [(4)] (c) No license shall be issued to any person who has been  
101 [convicted of a felony or an offense involving moral turpitude, or has  
102 been discharged from military service under other than honorable  
103 conditions] (1) convicted of any felony, (2) convicted of any  
104 misdemeanor under section 21a-279, 53a-58, 53a-61, 53a-61a, 53a-62,  
105 53a-63, 53a-96, 53a-175, 53a-176, 53a-178 or 53a-181d, or equivalent  
106 conviction in another jurisdiction, within the past seven years, (3)  
107 convicted of any offense involving moral turpitude, or (4) discharged  
108 from military service under conditions that demonstrate questionable  
109 moral character.

110 (d) Any applicant who has been denied a license may appeal in  
111 writing to the commissioner not later than thirty days after receipt of  
112 such denial.

113 Sec. 4. Section 29-154c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
114 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

115 No member of the state, or any town, city or borough, police force  
116 or any other person vested with police powers shall be eligible for a  
117 license under the provisions of [this chapter] sections 29-153 to 29-161,  
118 inclusive, as amended by this act. If the applicant is a corporation,  
119 association or partnership, no person comprising the corporation,  
120 association or partnership may be such a member or person.

121 Sec. 5. Section 29-155 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
122 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

123 (a) Application for a license as a private detective or [investigator or  
124 as a watchman, guard or patrol service,] as a private detective agency  
125 shall be made in writing, under oath, on a form to be furnished by the  
126 commissioner. The application shall state the applicant's full name,  
127 age, date and place of birth, residences and employment within the  
128 past five years and [his] the applicant's present occupation with the  
129 names and addresses of employers, the date and place of conviction of  
130 any crime and such additional information as the commissioner  
131 requires to investigate the qualification, character, competency and  
132 integrity of the applicant. If the applicant is an association, corporation  
133 or partnership, similar information shall be required of each individual  
134 composing or intending to compose such association, corporation or  
135 partnership.

136 (b) The commissioner shall require any applicant for a license under  
137 this section to submit to state and national criminal history records  
138 checks. Each applicant and, in the case of an association, corporation or  
139 partnership, each individual composing such association, corporation  
140 or partnership, shall submit with the application two complete sets of  
141 fingerprints on forms specified and furnished by the commissioner  
142 and two photographs, two inches wide by three inches high, taken  
143 within six months prior to the application. The criminal history records  
144 checks required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in  
145 accordance with section 29-17a.

146 (c) The application shall state the trade name or proposed trade

147 name to be used by the applicant and the location of the principal  
148 place of business and the location of each office and branch office. If  
149 the applicant is a corporation, the application shall give the name of  
150 the corporation, if different from the proposed trade name, and the  
151 date and place of incorporation. Any trade name or proposed trade  
152 name shall require the approval of the commissioner. No trade name  
153 or designation shall be used which implies any association with any  
154 municipal, county or state government or the federal government, or  
155 any agency thereof. No licensee shall use any advertisement, seal or  
156 card, or any other media which may tend to mislead the public.

157 (d) The application shall contain such additional information and  
158 documentation as the commissioner may require by regulation.

159 Sec. 6. Section 29-155a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
160 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

161 (a) Each applicant for a license as a private detective or as a private  
162 detective agency [, and each applicant for a license as a security service  
163 or a security agency] shall post with the commissioner a bond in favor  
164 of the state with surety in the amount of ten thousand dollars. No  
165 bond shall be accepted for filing unless it is with a surety company  
166 authorized to do business in this state and conditioned that the  
167 principal named therein shall not do any act meriting suspension or  
168 revocation of [his] such principal's license under the provisions of this  
169 chapter. Any person aggrieved by an act of the principal named in  
170 such bond in violation of the provisions of [this chapter] sections 29-  
171 153 to 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act, may proceed on such  
172 bond against the principal or surety therein, or both, to recover  
173 damages.

174 (b) Prior to being issued a license, an applicant shall provide a copy  
175 of a certificate of general liability insurance for not less than three  
176 hundred thousand dollars.

177 (c) A licensee shall notify the commissioner in writing within thirty  
178 days of a change of status in the liability insurance or surety bond

179 required by this section.

180       Sec. 7. Section 29-155b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
181 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

182       Upon being satisfied, after investigation, of the good character,  
183 competency and integrity of an applicant, or, if the applicant is an  
184 association or partnership, of the individual members thereof, or if a  
185 corporation, of all officers and directors thereof, the commissioner may  
186 grant a license to conduct such private detective business [or  
187 watchman, guard or patrol agency] and to maintain a bureau, agency,  
188 subagency, office or branch office for the conduct of such business on  
189 the premises stated in such application. The license for an individual  
190 private detective [or investigator] shall be as a private detective, and,  
191 the license for a corporation, association or partnership shall be as a  
192 private detective agency. [The license for an individual conducting a  
193 watchman, guard or patrol service shall be as a security service, and, if  
194 for a corporation, association or partnership, shall be as a security  
195 agency.] Such license shall be for [one year] two years and application  
196 for renewal shall be on a form furnished by the commissioner. Each  
197 licensee shall permit the department to inspect, review or copy those  
198 documents, business records or training records in the licensee's  
199 possession that are required by regulation to be maintained.

200       Sec. 8. Section 29-155c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
201 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

202       The fee for an individual private detective [or security service] shall,  
203 for an original license, be [six hundred dollars and for renewal of any  
204 such license four hundred fifty dollars per year] one thousand two  
205 hundred dollars and for renewal of any such license, five hundred  
206 dollars every two years. The fee for a private detective agency [or  
207 security agency] shall, for an original license, be [seven hundred fifty  
208 dollars and for renewal thereof six hundred dollars per year. The fee  
209 for a combination private detective and security service license shall be  
210 six hundred dollars, and for renewal of any such license three hundred

211 dollars per year, and for a combination detective agency and security  
212 agency license seven hundred fifty dollars per year, and for renewal of  
213 any such license four hundred fifty dollars per year] one thousand five  
214 hundred dollars and for renewal of any such license, eight hundred  
215 dollars every two years. If a licensee fails to apply for renewal of any  
216 license within [six months] ninety days after the expiration thereof,  
217 [he] such licensee shall pay for renewal thereof the fee provided for an  
218 original license.

219 Sec. 9. Section 29-155d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
220 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

221 Immediately upon the receipt of a license certificate issued by the  
222 Commissioner of Public Safety pursuant to [this chapter] sections 29-  
223 153 to 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act, the licensee shall post  
224 and at all times display such license in a conspicuous place at [his] the  
225 licensee's place of business. A copy or duplicate of the license  
226 certificate shall be conspicuously posted at each branch or suboffice.

227 Sec. 10. Section 29-156 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
228 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

229 Upon the issuance of a license as provided in [this chapter] sections  
230 29-153 to 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act, the commissioner  
231 shall issue to each licensee and, in the case of a corporation, association  
232 or partnership, each officer or member thereof, a pocket identification  
233 card, of such size and design as the commissioner may prescribe,  
234 which card shall contain a photograph [and fingerprint] of the person  
235 to whom issued, the name and business address of the licensee, the  
236 license number and date of its expiration and the imprint or impress of  
237 the seal of the state of Connecticut. Such card shall be carried upon the  
238 person to whom issued at all times when engaged in the activities of  
239 [his] the licensed business, which card shall be evidence of due  
240 authorization pursuant to the terms of [this chapter] sections 29-153 to  
241 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act. All persons to whom such  
242 identification cards have been issued shall be responsible for the safe



243 keeping of the same and shall not lend, enable, let or allow any other  
244 person to have, hold, possess or display such identification card, and  
245 no person shall possess, hold or display any identification card or  
246 facsimile thereof, which is not duly authorized and issued by the  
247 commissioner pursuant to the foregoing provisions.

248 Sec. 11. Section 29-156a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
249 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

250 (a) Any licensee may employ as many agents, operators, assistants,  
251 guards, watchmen or patrolmen as such licensee deems necessary for  
252 the conduct of such licensee's business, provided such employees shall  
253 be of good moral character and at least eighteen years of age.

254 (b) Immediately upon hiring an agent, operator, assistant, guard,  
255 watchman or patrolman, the licensee shall make application to register  
256 such employee with the Commissioner of Public Safety. Such  
257 application shall be made on forms furnished by the commissioner,  
258 and, under oath of the employee, shall give the employee's name,  
259 address, date and place of birth, employment for the past five years,  
260 experience in the position applied for, any convictions for violations of  
261 the law and such other information as the commissioner may require,  
262 by regulation, to properly investigate the character, competency and  
263 integrity of the employee.

264 (c) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall require any applicant  
265 for a license under this section to submit to state and national criminal  
266 history records checks. The criminal history records checks required  
267 pursuant to this section shall be conducted in accordance with section  
268 29-17a. The application for registration shall be accompanied by two  
269 sets of fingerprints of the employee and two photographs of the  
270 employee, two inches wide by two inches high, full-face, [with and  
271 without head covering,] taken within six months prior thereto, and a  
272 [thirteen-dollar] twenty-dollar registration fee payable to the state.  
273 Subject to the provisions of section 46a-80, no person shall be approved  
274 for employment who has been convicted of a felony, any sexual

275 offense or any crime that would tend to question such person's  
276 honesty and integrity, or who has been refused a license under the  
277 provisions of this chapter for any reason except minimum experience,  
278 or whose license, having been granted, has been revoked or is under  
279 suspension. Upon being satisfied of the suitability of the applicant for  
280 employment the commissioner shall register the employee and so  
281 notify the licensee and place the registration form and all related  
282 material on file with the Division of State Police within the Department  
283 of Public Safety.

284 (d) The licensee shall notify the commissioner within five days of  
285 the termination of employment of any registered employees.

286 [(e) The commissioner may waive state and national criminal  
287 history records checks and the submission of fingerprints and  
288 photographs for any employee who has been employed by a licensed  
289 private detective or security service or agency within the previous six  
290 months.]

291 Sec. 12. Section 29-156b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
292 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

293 The licensee of a private detective [business] agency shall issue to  
294 each of [his] the agency's nonuniformed investigators, operators or  
295 agents, [and the licensee of a watchman, guard or patrol service shall  
296 issue to each of his nonuniformed agents,] an identification card, of  
297 such size, color and design as the commissioner may prescribe, which  
298 card shall contain the name [,] and photograph [and index fingerprint]  
299 of the [employee] investigator, operator or agent, the name and  
300 business address of the licensee, the license number and expiration  
301 date, and the certification that the named [employee] investigator,  
302 operator or agent is employed as an investigator, operator or agent of  
303 the licensee. Such card shall be carried by the [employee] investigator,  
304 operator or agent at all times when engaged in the activities of [his  
305 employer] the licensee. No person shall hold, possess or show an  
306 [employee] identification card not authorized and issued to [him] such

307 person by a licensed employer, or possess such card after termination  
308 of [his] such person's employment with the issuing licensee.

309 Sec. 13. Section 29-156d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
310 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

311 No private detective [or investigator] licensed under the [provision]  
312 provisions of [this chapter] sections 29-153 to 29-161, inclusive, as  
313 amended by this act, or officer, director, employee, operator or agent  
314 of such licensee, or any other person shall wear, carry, accept or show  
315 any badge or shield of any description, purporting to indicate that  
316 such person is a private detective [or investigator] or connected with  
317 the private detective business.

318 Sec. 14. Section 29-156e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
319 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

320 Any licensee may operate as many branch or suboffices as [he] such  
321 licensee deems necessary to conduct [his] the business properly. [He]  
322 Such licensee shall advise the commissioner, in writing not later than  
323 five business days after opening such branch or suboffice for business,  
324 of the location of each branch or suboffice, giving the town or city,  
325 street, number and telephone number and the name of the manager of  
326 such branch or suboffice.

327 Sec. 15. Section 29-156g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
328 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

329 No person who is or has been an employee of a licensed private  
330 detective [or investigator] shall divulge any information to anyone  
331 other than [his] such person's employer, or as [his] the employer may  
332 direct, except as may be required by law and including a hearing  
333 before the commissioner, in respect to any of the work to which [he]  
334 such person shall have been assigned by such employer or any other  
335 information relating to the business of [his] the employer gained  
336 during such employment or association.

337 Sec. 16. Section 29-156h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
338 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

339 Nothing in this chapter shall preclude a private detective or private  
340 detective agency from providing nonuniformed guard services for  
341 private property or persons in the normal course of their business, [ or  
342 a security service or agency from performing the investigation of  
343 offenses upon property they are employed to service.]

344 Sec. 17. Section 29-158 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
345 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

346 Any license may be suspended or revoked by the commissioner,  
347 provided notice shall have been given to the licensee to appear before  
348 the commissioner to show cause why the license should not be  
349 suspended or revoked, upon a finding by the commissioner that: (1)  
350 The licensee has violated any of the terms or provisions of sections 29-  
351 153 to 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act, or any of the  
352 regulations promulgated thereunder; (2) the licensee has practiced  
353 fraud, deceit or misrepresentation to the clients of the licensee; (3) the  
354 licensee has made a material misstatement in the application for  
355 issuance or renewal of [his] such licensee's license; (4) the licensee has  
356 demonstrated incompetence or untrustworthiness in the conduct of  
357 [his] such licensee's business; (5) the licensee has been convicted of a  
358 felony or other crime affecting [his] such licensee's honesty, integrity or  
359 moral fitness. If the licensee has been convicted under section 53a-61 or  
360 53a-62, the commissioner shall consider the fact and circumstance  
361 surrounding such convictions prior to suspending or revoking said  
362 license. Any party aggrieved by an order of the commissioner  
363 hereunder may appeal therefrom in accordance with the provisions of  
364 section 4-183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the judicial  
365 district of New Britain.

366 Sec. 18. Section 29-161 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
367 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

368 (a) Any person who violates any provision of sections 29-153 to 29-

161, inclusive, as amended by this act, shall be fined not more than five thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than one year or both. The commissioner may establish, by regulation, civil penalties for violations of sections 29-153 to 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act, but no such penalty shall be more than five thousand dollars. No person who violates any provision of section 29-153, as amended by this act, shall be eligible to apply for a license for two years. Any experience accrued while operating without being licensed will not be counted to the requirements as outlined in section 29-154a, as amended by this act.

(b) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to carry out the provisions of sections 29-153 to 29-161, inclusive, as amended by this act.

Sec. 19. Section 29-161a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

(a) Any person, firm or corporation may employ as many [guards, watchmen, patrolmen] security officers or security personnel carrying firearms as it deems necessary for the conduct of its business, provided such employees shall be of good moral character and at least [eighteen] twenty-one years of age. Each person, firm or corporation shall make application to register such personnel [employed on and after October 1, 1983,] with the Commissioner of Public Safety immediately upon their hiring. [A person, firm or corporation currently employing such personnel shall make application to register such employees within ninety days of October 1, 1983.] Application for registration shall be made in the same manner as is provided in section 29-156a, as amended by this act, and applicants shall meet the requirements specified in said section.

(b) Each person, firm or corporation employing nonarmed proprietary security personnel may register such employees with the Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with the provisions of this section.

401 (c) Any person, firm or corporation which violates any provision of  
402 this section shall be fined seventy-five dollars for each offense. Each  
403 violation of this section shall be a separate and distinct offense, and, in  
404 the case of a continuing violation, each day's continuance thereof shall  
405 be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense.

406 Sec. 20. Section 29-161b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
407 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

408 (a) No employee of a licensed [watchman, guard or patrol] security  
409 service and no employee of a firm or corporation hired to perform  
410 [watchman, guard or] security services may carry a pistol, revolver or  
411 other firearm while on duty or directly en route to or from such  
412 employment unless [he] such employee obtains a special permit from  
413 the Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with the provisions  
414 of subsection (b) of this section. No licensed [watchman, guard or  
415 patrol] security service and no firm or corporation may permit any  
416 employee to carry a pistol, revolver or other firearm while on duty or  
417 directly en route to or from such employment unless it obtains proof  
418 that such employee has obtained such permit from the commissioner.  
419 The permit required under this section shall be in addition to the  
420 permit requirement imposed under section 29-28.

421 (b) The Commissioner of Public Safety may grant to any suitable  
422 employee of a licensed [watchman, guard or patrol] security service, or  
423 to an employee hired to perform [watchman, guard or] uniformed or  
424 nonuniformed security services by a firm or corporation, a permit to  
425 carry a pistol or revolver or other firearm while actually on duty on the  
426 premises of the employer, or, while directly en route to or from such  
427 employment, provided that such employee has proven to the  
428 satisfaction of the commissioner that [he] such employee has  
429 successfully completed a course, approved by the commissioner, of  
430 training in the safety and use of firearms. The commissioner may grant  
431 to such employee a temporary permit pending issuance of the permit,  
432 provided [he] such employee has submitted [his] an application and  
433 successfully completed such training course immediately following

434 employment. All armed security officers must complete such safety  
 435 course and yearly complete a refresher safety course approved by the  
 436 commissioner. The commissioner shall adopt regulations in  
 437 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 concerning the approval  
 438 of schools, institutions or organizations offering such courses,  
 439 requirements for instructors and the required number of hours and  
 440 content of such courses.

441 (c) Application for such permit shall be made on forms provided by  
 442 the commissioner and shall be accompanied by a thirty-one dollar fee.  
 443 Such permit shall [expire five years after the date it becomes effective]  
 444 have the same expiration date as the pistol permit issued under  
 445 subsection (b) of section 29-28 and may be renewed for additional five-  
 446 year periods.

447 (d) Any person, firm or corporation which violates any provision of  
 448 this section shall be fined seventy-five dollars for each offense. Each  
 449 violation of this section shall be a separate and distinct offense, and, in  
 450 the case of a continuing violation, each day's continuance thereof shall  
 451 be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense.

452 (e) The commissioner may suspend or revoke a [watchman, guard  
 453 or patrol] security service license upon a finding by the commissioner  
 454 that such licensee has violated the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
 455 section, provided notice shall have been given to such licensee to  
 456 appear before the commissioner to show cause why the license should  
 457 not be suspended or revoked. Any party aggrieved by an order of the  
 458 commissioner may appeal therefrom in accordance with the provisions  
 459 of section 4-183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the judicial  
 460 district of New Britain.

461 Sec. 21. Section 29-161c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 462 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

463 Any licensed [watchman, guard or patrol] security service or any  
 464 firm or corporation employing proprietary security personnel shall  
 465 furnish the state police or the municipal police department with

466 written notice of the assignments of any security [guards] officers or  
467 personnel who carry firearms and are stationed within the jurisdiction  
468 of such law enforcement agencies.

469 Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) No person shall engage in  
470 the business of, or solicit business as a security service or make  
471 representations to be or advertise as furnishing security services  
472 without first obtaining a license from the Commissioner of Public  
473 Safety.

474 Sec. 23. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) The Commissioner of  
475 Public Safety may grant a security service license to any suitable  
476 person, or to any corporation, association or partnership subject to the  
477 following qualifications: The applicant for a license as a security  
478 service shall be not less than twenty-five years of age and of good  
479 moral character and shall have had at least five years' experience in a  
480 supervisory management capacity in industrial security, or a  
481 supervisor within a federal or state security agency, or within a state or  
482 organized municipal police department or shall have had at least ten  
483 years' experience as a police officer with a state or organized municipal  
484 police department. If the applicant is a corporation, association or  
485 partnership, the person making the application shall be an officer of  
486 the corporation or a member of the association or partnership, and  
487 meet the foregoing qualifications.

488 (b) The commissioner may, at the commissioner's discretion,  
489 substitute up to one year of experience for a security service applicant  
490 upon proof of satisfactory participation in a course of instruction  
491 pertinent to the license applied for.

492 (c) No license shall be issued to any person who has been (1)  
493 convicted of any felony, (2) convicted of any misdemeanor under  
494 section 21a-279, 53a-58, 53a-61, 53a-61a, 53a-62, 53a-63, 53a-96, 53a-175,  
495 53a-176, 53a-178 or 53a-181d of the general statutes, or equivalent  
496 conviction in another jurisdiction, within the past seven years, (3)  
497 convicted of any offense involving moral turpitude, or (4) discharged



498 from military service under conditions that demonstrate questionable  
499 moral character.

500 (d) Any applicant for a security service or security officer license  
501 who has been denied such license may appeal in writing to the  
502 commissioner within thirty days.

503 Sec. 24. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) An application for a license  
504 of a corporation may be denied by the Commissioner of Public Safety,  
505 or suspended or revoked, if it appears that ten per cent or more of the  
506 stock of such corporation is held by a person who cannot meet the  
507 character standards required of an applicant.

508 Sec. 25. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) No member of the state, or  
509 any town, city or borough, police force or any other person vested with  
510 police powers shall be eligible for a license under the provisions of  
511 sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act. If the applicant is a corporation,  
512 association or partnership, no person comprising the corporation,  
513 association or partnership may be such a member or person.

514 Sec. 26. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) Application for a license  
515 as a security service, shall be made in writing, under oath, on a form to  
516 be furnished by the Commissioner of Public Safety. The application  
517 shall state the applicant's full name, age, date and place of birth,  
518 residences and employment within the past five years and the  
519 applicant's present occupation with the names and addresses of  
520 employers, the date and place of conviction of any crime and such  
521 additional information as the commissioner requires to investigate the  
522 qualification, character, competency and integrity of the applicant. If  
523 the applicant is an association, corporation or partnership, similar  
524 information shall be required of each individual composing or  
525 intending to compose such association, corporation or partnership.

526 (b) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall require any applicant  
527 for a license under this section to submit to state and national criminal  
528 history records checks. Each applicant and, in the case of an  
529 association, corporation or partnership, each individual composing

530 such association, corporation or partnership, shall submit with the  
531 application two complete sets of fingerprints on forms specified and  
532 furnished by the commissioner and two photographs, two inches wide  
533 by three inches high, taken within six months prior to the application.  
534 The criminal history records checks required pursuant to this section  
535 shall be conducted in accordance with section 29-17a of the general  
536 statutes.

537 (c) The application shall state the trade name or proposed trade  
538 name to be used by the applicant and the location of the principal  
539 place of business and the location of each office and branch office. If  
540 the applicant is a corporation, the application shall give the name of  
541 the corporation, if different from the proposed trade name, and the  
542 date and place of incorporation. Any trade name or proposed trade  
543 name shall require the approval of the commissioner. No trade name  
544 or designation shall be used which implies any association with any  
545 municipal, county or state government or the federal government, or  
546 any agency thereof. No licensee shall use any advertisement, seal or  
547 card, or any other media which may tend to mislead the public.

548 (d) The application shall contain such additional information and  
549 documentation as the commissioner may require by regulation.

550 Sec. 27. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) Each applicant for a  
551 license as a security service shall post with the Commissioner of Public  
552 Safety a bond in favor of the state with surety in the amount of ten  
553 thousand dollars. No bond shall be accepted for filing unless it is with  
554 a surety company authorized to do business in this state and  
555 conditioned that the principal named therein shall not do any act  
556 meriting suspension or revocation of such principal's license under the  
557 provisions of sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act. Any person  
558 aggrieved by an act of the principal named in such bond in violation of  
559 the provisions of chapter 534 of the general statutes may proceed on  
560 such bond against the principal or surety therein, or both, to recover  
561 damages.

562 (b) Prior to being issued a license, an applicant shall provide a copy  
563 of a certificate of general liability insurance for not less than three  
564 hundred thousand dollars. The licensee shall notify the commissioner,  
565 in writing, within thirty days of a change of status in the liability  
566 insurance or surety bond required by this section.

567 Sec. 28. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Upon being satisfied, after  
568 investigation, of the good moral character, competency and integrity of  
569 an applicant, or, if the applicant is an association or partnership, of the  
570 individual members thereof, or if a corporation, of all officers and  
571 directors thereof, the Commissioner of Public Safety may grant a  
572 license to conduct business as a security service and to maintain a  
573 bureau, agency, subagency, office or branch office for the conduct of  
574 such business on the premises stated in such application. The license  
575 for an individual, a corporation, association or partnership conducting  
576 a security service shall be as a security service. Such license shall be for  
577 two years and application for renewal shall be on a form furnished by  
578 the commissioner. Each licensee shall permit the department to  
579 inspect, review or copy those documents, business records or training  
580 records in the licensee's possession that are required by sections 22 to  
581 39, inclusive, of this act to be maintained.

582 Sec. 29. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) The fee for an individual,  
583 association or partnership licensed as a security service shall, for an  
584 original license, be one thousand two hundred dollars, and for renewal  
585 thereof, five hundred dollars every two years. The fee for a corporation  
586 licensed as a security service shall, for an original license, be one  
587 thousand five hundred dollars and for renewal thereof eight hundred  
588 dollars every two years. If a licensee fails to apply for renewal of any  
589 license within ninety days after the expiration thereof, the licensee  
590 shall pay for renewal thereof the fee provided for an original license.

591 Sec. 30. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Immediately upon the  
592 receipt of a license certificate issued by the Commissioner of Public  
593 Safety pursuant to section 23 of this act, the licensee shall post and at  
594 all times display such license in a conspicuous place at the licensee's

595 place of business. A copy or duplicate of the license certificate shall be  
596 conspicuously posted at each branch or suboffice.

597       Sec. 31. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Upon the issuance of a  
598 license as provided in sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act, the  
599 Commissioner of Public Safety shall issue to each licensee and, in the  
600 case of a corporation, association or partnership, each officer or  
601 member thereof, a pocket identification card, of such size and design  
602 as the commissioner may prescribe, which card shall contain a  
603 photograph of the person to whom issued, the name and business  
604 address of the licensee, the license number and date of its expiration  
605 and the imprint or impress of the seal of the state of Connecticut. Such  
606 card shall be carried upon the person to whom issued at all times  
607 when engaged in the activities of the licensed business, which card  
608 shall be evidence of due authorization pursuant to the terms of  
609 sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act. All persons to whom such  
610 identification cards have been issued shall be responsible for the safe  
611 keeping of the same and shall not lend [.] such identification card to  
612 any other person or enable, let or allow any other person to have, hold,  
613 possess or display such identification card, and no person shall  
614 possess, hold or display any identification card or facsimile thereof,  
615 which is not duly authorized and issued by the commissioner  
616 pursuant to the foregoing provisions.

617       Sec. 32. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) Any security service  
618 may employ as many security officers as the licensee deems necessary  
619 for the conduct of the business, provided such employees shall be of  
620 good moral character and at least eighteen years of age.

621       (b) Any person hired to work as a security officer shall be licensed  
622 as a security officer prior to a security service making application to  
623 register the security officer with the Commissioner of Public Safety.  
624 The employee shall complete a minimum of eight hours training in the  
625 following areas: Basic first aid, search and seizure laws and  
626 regulations, use of force, basic criminal justice and public safety issues.  
627 The training shall be approved by the commissioner in accordance

628 with regulations adopted pursuant to section 39 of this act.

629 (c) Upon successful completion of such training, an employee may  
630 submit an application for a license as a security officer on forms  
631 furnished by the commissioner and, under oath, shall give the  
632 employee's name, address, date and place of birth, employment for the  
633 past five years, experience in the position applied for, any convictions  
634 for violations of the law and such other information as the  
635 commissioner may require, by regulation, to properly investigate the  
636 character, competency and integrity of the employee. The initial  
637 application for a license shall be accompanied by two sets of  
638 fingerprints of the employee and the Commissioner of Public Safety  
639 shall require any applicant for a license under this section to submit to  
640 state and national criminal history records checks. The criminal history  
641 records checks required pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted  
642 in accordance with section 29-17a of the general statutes. The  
643 application for a license shall be accompanied by two sets of  
644 fingerprints of the employee and two photographs of the employee,  
645 two inches wide by two inches high, full-face, taken within six months  
646 prior thereto, and a twenty-dollar licensing fee to be renewed every  
647 two years, made payable to the state. Subject to the provisions of  
648 section 46a-80 of the general statutes, no person shall be approved for a  
649 license who has been convicted of a felony, any sexual offense or any  
650 crime that would tend to question such person's honesty and integrity,  
651 or who has been refused a license under the provisions of sections 22  
652 to 39, inclusive, of this act, for any reason except minimum experience,  
653 or whose license, having been granted, has been revoked or is under  
654 suspension. Upon being satisfied of the suitability of the applicant for  
655 licensure, the commissioner may license the employee as a security  
656 officer.

657 (d) Upon the security officer's successful completion of training and  
658 licensing by the commissioner, or immediately upon hiring a licensed  
659 security officer, the security service shall make application to register  
660 such security officer with the commissioner on forms provided by the  
661 commissioner. Such application shall be accompanied by payment of a

662 twenty-dollar application fee payable to the state. The completed  
663 registration form and all related material shall be kept on file with the  
664 Division of State Police within the Department of Public Safety.

665 (e) The security service shall notify the commissioner within five  
666 days of the termination of employment of any registered employee.

667 Sec. 33. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) The licensee of a security  
668 service shall issue to each nonuniformed security officer employed by  
669 such security service an identification card, of such size, color and  
670 design as the Commissioner of Public Safety may prescribe, which  
671 card shall contain the name and photograph of the security officer, the  
672 name and business address of the security service, the license number  
673 and expiration date and the certification that the named security officer  
674 is employed as a security officer by the security service. Such card shall  
675 be carried by the security officer at all times when engaged in the  
676 activities of such security officer's employer. No person shall hold,  
677 possess or show an identification card not authorized and issued to  
678 such person by a licensed employer, or possess such card after  
679 termination of such person's employment with the issuing licensee.

680 Sec. 34. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) The licensee of a security  
681 service shall issue to each uniformed employee a metal or woven  
682 insignia of a design approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety,  
683 with an inscription thereon containing the word "security", the name of  
684 the licensee and an identification number. Such insignia shall be  
685 conspicuously worn at all times by the employee when in uniform and  
686 acting in the service of the licensee, and the commissioner may  
687 prescribe the manner of displaying such insignia. As used in this  
688 section, "uniform" means any manner or type of dress of a particular  
689 style and distinctive appearance as distinguished from clothing  
690 usually worn by the public.

691 Sec. 35. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Any security service may  
692 operate as many branch or suboffices as the licensee deems necessary  
693 to conduct the business properly. The licensee of the security service

694 shall advise the Commissioner of Public Safety, in writing, not later  
695 than five business days after opening such branch or suboffice for  
696 business, of the location of each branch or suboffice, giving the town or  
697 city, street address and telephone number and the name of the  
698 manager of such branch or suboffice.

699       Sec. 36. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Nothing in sections 22 to  
700 39, inclusive, of this act, shall preclude a security service from  
701 performing the investigation of offenses upon property such security  
702 service is employed to service.

703       Sec. 37. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Any license for a security  
704 service or security officer may be suspended or revoked by the  
705 Commissioner of Public Safety, provided notice shall have been given  
706 to the licensee to appear before the commissioner to show cause why  
707 the license should not be suspended or revoked, upon a finding by the  
708 commissioner that: (1) The licensee has violated any of the terms or  
709 provisions of sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act, or any of the  
710 regulations adopted pursuant to section 39 of this act; (2) the licensee  
711 has practiced fraud, deceit or misrepresentation; (3) the licensee has  
712 made a material misstatement in the application for issuance or  
713 renewal of the license; (4) the licensee has demonstrated incompetence  
714 or untrustworthiness in the conduct of the business; or (5) the licensee  
715 has been convicted of a felony or other crime affecting the licensee's  
716 honesty, integrity or moral fitness. Any party aggrieved by an order of  
717 the commissioner under this section may appeal therefrom in  
718 accordance with the provisions of section 4-183, of the general statutes  
719 except venue for such appeal shall be in the judicial district of New  
720 Britain.

721       Sec. 38. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) The Commissioner of  
722 Public Safety shall annually prepare and publish a list of licensed  
723 security services and security officers and distribute copies of such list  
724 to the chiefs of police in Connecticut and to the clerks' offices of the  
725 superior court and to any licensee upon request.

726 Sec. 39. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) Any person who  
 727 violates any provision of sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act, shall be  
 728 fined not more than five thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than  
 729 one year, or both. Any person who violates any provision of section 22  
 730 of this act shall not be eligible to apply for a license for two years after  
 731 the date the penalty was imposed.

732 (b) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall adopt regulations, in  
 733 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to  
 734 carry out the provisions of sections 22 to 39, inclusive, of this act.

735 Sec. 40. Section 7-92 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
 736 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

737 The chief executive officer of any municipality may appoint such  
 738 number of special constables as he or she deems necessary to preserve  
 739 the public peace within such municipality, who may serve for terms of  
 740 not more than two years or during any public celebration or gathering  
 741 or any riot or unusual excitement, and such special officers shall have  
 742 the authority of constables of such town to serve criminal process and  
 743 make arrests for commission of crime. The chief executive officer may  
 744 appoint special constables: (1) With limited geographical jurisdiction;  
 745 or (2) who are appointed at the request of corporations, associations or  
 746 businesses and are subject to such limitations, restrictions and  
 747 conditions as the chief executive officer of the municipality deems  
 748 appropriate, and who shall: (A) Have jurisdiction only on land  
 749 controlled by such corporation, association or business; (B) be deemed  
 750 for all purposes to be agents and employees of such corporation,  
 751 association or business; and (C) be paid for their services by such  
 752 corporation, association or business.

753 Sec. 41. (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Section 29-156c of the general  
 754 statutes is repealed.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
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